

Torrance, California.
August 23, 1932.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF
THE CITY OF TORRANCE.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Torrance, was held in the Council Chambers at Torrance, California, August 23rd., 1932, and was called to order at 7:45 P.M. by Mayor Klusman.

The following Councilmen were present: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Wright and Klusman. ABSENT: COUNCILMAN: Ludlow.

Councilman Conner moved that the minutes of an adjourned regular meeting of August 9th., 1932, be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read the following estimates:

From C.A. Paxman - 30 gallons White Traffic Lac in
one gallon cans \$75.00.

From S.S. Worrell - 30 gallons of Traffic Lac (or
Zone Paint) white, one gallon
cans (Sherwin-Williams Paint).. \$45.60.

Councilman Hitchcock requested that a center line traffic stripe be painted along Western Avenue and that the above estimates were requested in connection with this work if the Council saw fit to authorize it. After some discussion, Councilman Conner moved that the paint question be referred to the proper committee and report at next Council Meeting. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett read a communication from the Pacific Coast Audit Company addressed to the City Treasurer with reference to retirement of certain assessment Bonds. City Clerk Bartlett stated this should be referred to the Legal Department. Councilman Conner moved this matter be referred to the City Attorney. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett stated he had a report from the State Department of Public Health of Sacramento with reference to the water supply of the City of Torrance. Mayor Klusman stated he had looked over this report and that no fault could be found with the water supply.

Clerk Bartlett stated he had a petition for a cesspool at Palm and Narbonne signed by 12 property owners in that vicinity. Street Department will take care of it. Councilman Wright moved we refer it to the City Engineer to look into this and report at the next meeting. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Clerk Bartlett reported he had written to the Board of Education with reference to the use of the school grounds for the month of August and the employment of a supervisor and that the Board of Education is paying a young lady to act as supervisor.

Mr. Sullivan, in the audience, inquired concerning the ordinance establishing setback line on Prairie Avenue passed at the last Council Meeting, stating that in his opinion the street was wide enough for all the travel at the present time. City Engineer Leonard reported that it was the plan of the Regional Planning Commission to make this street 100 ft. wide and continue it southerly to the State Highway, that establishing the set back line would not prevent the use of the land except that buildings could not be placed thereon.

Councilman Ludlow took his chair at 8:20 P.M.

Mrs. Price, in the audience, requested permission to sell do-nuts on the street and from house to house, the entire proceeds to be used to purchase food for the unemployed. Councilman Hitchcock moved we donate the license to Mrs. Price. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Mr. Beach, Manager of the Veterans' Relief Association, in the audience, expressed for our nearly 500 men and himself their sincere thanks for the \$100.00 for the canning apparatus. He reported since July 1st., they have fed 10,000 people.

LICENSE ORDINANCE NO. 235 was presented for adoption. Councilman Ludlow moved that Ordinance No. 235 be adopted. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

ANIMAL POUND ORDINANCE NO. 236 was presented for adoption, but Mayor Klusman requested it be held up.

SETTING TAX RATE ORDINANCE NO. 237 was presented for adoption. Councilman Ludlow moved that Ordinance No. 237 be adopted. Attorney Jensen read Ordinance No. 237. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Hitchcock asked Mayor Klusman what his objections were to Ordinance No. 236, and Mayor Klusman replied one objection is that it is so long. Councilman Ludlow moved the Animal Pound Ordinance be laid over until the next meeting. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Engineer Leonard was requested to report with reference to the use of 729 Border Avenue as a sanitarium. He stated that he had requested that the Council be informed as to the type of patients to be treated, that there would undoubtedly be no objections provided there were no mental cases and contagious diseases treated but that under the ordinance a special permit could not be granted without rezoning the property.

Mayor Klusman spoke with reference to Alondra Park assessment district, stating the board should cooperate with the property owners in obtaining relief from the excessive assessment, and suggested the City Attorneys of Redondo, Gardena and Torrance help as far as they could legally.

Councilman Ludlow brought up the matter of Chamber of Commerce expenditures over and above \$6000.00 already contracted. After some discussion, Councilman Ludlow moved that all requests involving expenditures of money be presented to the Chamber of Commerce for their recommendation and then presented to the City Council for its approval. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

Councilman Hitchcock stated he had a request from the Boy Scouts to furnish them with transportation to Calabasas, Saturday afternoon and back Sunday, and desired to know about the insurance on equipment. Clerk Bartlett stated that the insurance agent was notified of any such proposed trip and he in turn notified the insurance company who agreed to hold the truck covered for the trip. Attorney Jensen thought there should be some written statement to this effect from the agent. Councilman Conner moved that if the representative of the Insurance Company signs written statement, that it is authentic to send out the truck for this purpose and that their request be granted. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None. Regarding a similar request from the Young Peoples' Society of the Episcopal Church, the Council believes it will not be advisable to make such a precedent.

Councilman Conner stated school will soon be started and we would like the approval of the Board on 7 standard school pedestrian signs for school crossings. The cost of the signs is \$10.40 each. He then moved these signs be purchased. Councilman Hitchcock seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Conner moved that warrants be drawn for all bills properly audited. Councilman Ludlow seconded the motion, which was duly carried by the following roll call vote: AYES: COUNCILMEN: Conner, Hitchcock, Ludlow, Wright and Klusman. NOES: COUNCILMEN: None. ABSENT: COUNCILMEN: None.

Councilman Ludlow asked Engineer Leonard regarding street improvements and sewage disposal for the Fern Avenue School. The Engineer reported that no written communication had been received from the school board in reply to the letter the Council had directed addressed to the school board, but that it was his opinion that connection from the school would be made direct to the sewer. As to the width the street would be graded the school board had not indicated.

There was some discussion with reference to the Water Bond Litigation, but no action was taken.

Councilman Ludlow moved that the meeting be adjourned. Councilman Conner seconded the motion, which was carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 P.M.

A. H. Badlett

City Clerk of the City of Torrance.

Approved:

M. J. Klusman

Mayor of the City of Torrance.